Baseball Moguls Will Bar Florida Training League---Humphreys Gets Trial

ORGANIZED MOGULS WILL BAR LEAGUE

Disastrous Experiences of Chicago Cubs and Philadelphia Mackmen Cause It.

HUMPHREYS GETS A TRIAL

Harper and Gallia Are Reserved for Opening Clash With Brooklyn Dodgers.

Probable Line-up

Griffmen. Milan, cf. Foster, 3b. Judge, 1b. Rondeau, lf. Barber, rf. Morgan, 2b. Dumont, p. Humphreys, p.

Cahill, 3b. A. White, ss. Caffrey, 2b. J. Butler, cf. Shortley, lf. Rogers, rf. Killian, 1b. White, c. Johnson, p. Fahey, p. Game called at 3 o'clock.

NEW YORK, March 30,-"We fail to

see where we are liable, in the suit

of the Baltimore Federal club," said

President John K. Tener, of the Na tional League, in comment o n the \$900,

000 damage suit brought by the Balti-

more Federal club, against organized

"Organized baseball," said the state

ment, "conducted its negotiations look

ing to an adjustment of the basebal

conditions with the Federal League at

an organization. It was our under-

standing that the Federal League was acting for all its component clubs.

We are natisfied we did nothing incon-

sistent with the Sherman anti-trust law or the Clayton act."

PHILADELPHIA, March 30.-Organ-

ized baseball is facing another attack

against its existence in a suit for \$900,-

District Court here yesterday under the

national anti-trust laws, by the Federal

League baseball club, of Baltimore.

The defendants in the suit are the National and American Leagues and the sixteen clubs making up their membership, the three members of the national baseball commission, James A. A. Gilmore, Charles E. Weeghman, and Harry S inclair.

If the Federal League club, of Baltimore, wins its suit, organized baseball

MACKMEN ARE WEAK

Brooklyn Makes Clean Sweep of

Spring Series in South.

JACKSONVIII.E. Pla., March 30,-

The Brooklyn Dodgers are now on their

way to Washington for a couple of

games with Clark Griffith's team, but

before they went they made a clean

sweep of the series with the Mackmen

sweep of the series with the Mackmen, winning the fourth game yesterday, b to 3. The Mackmen looked weak in all departments, particularly in the thinking section, throughout the series.

Wheezer Dell was in fine form for Brooklyn, scattering four hits through the five frames he pitched. Nap Rucker was sirtight till the last inning, when the Mackmen cracked open four hits for two runs.

Hickman, the young Federal Leaguer, slammed a home run to deep center in

slammed a home run to deep center in the seventh, and also contributed a fine running one-handed catch.

The Palais Royal baseball team has

several open dates it wishes to fill, and Manager C. H. Schaat, care of the Palais

Royal, wants to hear from teams in

Player La. ... Wanted

Dr. John Lavan and Ernie Johnson

are candidates for shortstop position on Fielder Jones' Browns. While in prac-

tice Johnson sprained his ankle. The nearest physician happened to be Dr

Lavan.
Following an examination he said to his patient: "I advise you to take an absolute rest for six months. If you can leave St. Louis, so much the bet-

Dr. Lavan is now playing between

third and second.

Open Dates to Fill

Palais Royal Team Has

AND DODGERS WIN

League baseball club, of Baltimore.

baseball forces.

C. U.

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER.

The Florida training league for big league clubs is expected to be stopped by the lords of organized baseball, following the disastrous performances of the Chicago Cubs and the Philadelphia

lowing the disastrous performances of the Chicago Cubs and the Philadelphia Athletics. Already the high moguis are frowning upon the scheme which started this year, was supposed to prove of great benefit to all concerned.

Plans call for three National and two American League teams to train in Florida next spring, playing each other according to a regular schedule. With Paim Peach in the circuit, it is thought that much money might be made, enough to cover all expenses. However, after the downfall of the Cubs and Mackmen, the authorities have begun to see a decided weakness in the scheme. Tinser started out to be a czar and his ruilings, with those seven straight defeats by the Phillies, have brought about serious dissensions in the ranks of the Cubs.

Chicago, which expected so much from the Cubs, is now convinced that Tinker's club hasn't a chance in the coming tusele for the National League banner. Windy City fans are flooding Tinker with letters, savagely criticising him for dropping so many 1915 Cubs and keeping so many 1915 Cubs and keeping so many 1915 Cubs and keeping so many 1916 Whales. So far as the Mackmen are concerned, no dissension exists, but already Philadelphia fans have forgotten all about the American League entry, turning all their attention to the champion Phillies.

Spring inter-league games in Dixie If the Federal League club, of Baltimore, wins its suit, organized baseball will be in peril of an attack by the National Government, it is said. The difference between the suit filed and the one begun by the Federal League against organized baseball in Chicago in January, 1915, is that the present action is one for damages only, while the first one was an injunction to restrain organized baseball from continuing certain acts, alleged to be in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

To win the present action, the Baltimore club must show that organized

Phillies.

Spring inter-league games in Dixle have not proved so welcome as had been expected. Now the powers are planning to wipe it out.

Harry Harper and Bert Gallia will be sent against the Brocklyn Dodgers to-day to have Charlie Humphreys, the little southpaw from the Virginia It proves this and recovers damages. League, and George Dumont twiri against the Brocklanders, saving Harper for the stiffer opposition of the National Leaguers.

A good hour's practice was put in by the Griffmen this morning, though no regular game was played. The field is in fine condition, but is still a bit soft, and Manager Griffith did not care to take tchances injuring it. The dia-mond is practically perfect.

Contrary to reports scattered around yesterday. Georgetown will not lose its opportunity of meeting the Griffmen on the diamond this spring.

Next Monday was to have been a day of rest, and, discovering that, Georgetown asked that yesterday's postponed game go over to that date. Manager Griffith was glad to accommodate the Hilloppers and so next Monday the Blue and Gray will endeavor to go through with their annual contest against the Washington club.

An innovation which should make a big hit with the fans is to be tried this spring here when major league umpires will officiate in the exhibition umpires will officiate in the exhibition games between the American and National League teams. Beginning tomorrow, when the Brooklyn Dodgers open their two-game series, big league officials will be on the job.

Nallin, of Ban Johnson's staff, and Rigler, the National League ump, are expected to be here till the season gets under way.

Even when the field is too soggy for use, the Griffmen are not losing any workouts. The Old Fox has his boys hustling beneath the grandstand. He finds that place ideal for the "pepper" game, and the pitchers have every opportunity for warming up.

With nothing determined, line-up or batting order, Manager Griffith plans to experiment for the coming two weeks before the campaign is under way.

Today Turney Barber has been chosen for the right field job with the regulars, but he will have to keep up a fast pace to hold it. Rondeau is expected to be kept in left, even if he make a poor start, the Old Fox knowing what the Frenchman did last year after leaving the team for Minneapolis.

Royal, wants to hear from teams in the District.

The schedule follows:
April 9, Holy Name; April 16, Cardinal A. C., of Alexandria, Va.; April 23, Vic Gauza's Vigilants; April 30, Lincoln A. C.; May 7, Solkau A. C.; May 14, open; May 21, open; May 28, Brookland A. C.; May 30, open; June 4, Mohawk; June 11, open; June 15, open; July 2, Cardinal A. C., of Alexandria, Va.; July, open; July 23, open; July 30, open; July 23, open; July 25, open; July 30, open; August 27, Solkau A. C. Address all challenges to C. H. Schaat, manager, care Palais Royal. year after leaving the team for Minneapolis.

The lead-off man will be changed from time to time until the boss is satisfied that he has the best. Judge, Milan, and Morgan will have trials going to bat first, the best one gaining the job.

It will be experiment after experiment uptil April 12 for the Griffmen, for the Old Fox realizes the hard task ahead of him to beat out at least four other clubs in this league. Dr. Lavan Knew What

Yale Loses Catcher. NEW HAVEN, Conn., March 30.-Mudge, expected to be first string backstop, has gone to his home in St. Paul because of illness, and is lost to the Yale varsity nine for the season.

Jim Thorpe Is Doomed. FORT WORTH, Tex., March 30 .- Jim

Thorpe, the Indian outfielder, has failed to make good with the Giants. Waivers have been asked on him, and he will go to some International League team.

Both Games Close. Both Sunday School' League basket-ball games were close at the "Y" last hight. Mt. Pleasant landed a 22 to 25 battle, while the Covenant team de-tested Keller by 15 to 11.

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., March 20.— Harry Hooper and Babe Ruth won for the Red Sox rookies. Hooper's great throw to the plate killed a raily, and conly two hits were made off Ruth.

OLD MAN CHANCE PUTS THE STETHESCOPE ON GRIFF'S ATHLETES



A LITTLE MORE AND HE'S FIT !!!

Cobb Spoils Scheming Of New York Manager

McGraw Wanted Columns of Publicity Comparing Kauff and Star of Jungaleers-Today's Sportorial on Some Live Topics in Sport World.

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER.

Ty Cobb has ruined a fine press agent plan of Johnny McGraw's by failure to report early to the Tigers. Pretty tough!

McGraw, who is one of the wisest chaps connected with baseball, had it all planned to have a daily battle royal between Benny Kauff, the "Ty Cobb of the Federal League," and Ty Cobb, of the Jungaleers, the real thing when it comes to starring on the diamond.

But a fire broke out in Augusta Ga., at an opportune moment and Ty seized the excuse to remain away from the training camp, thereby ruining a neat little scheme of the "Little Corporal" of the Giants. McGraw wanted columns in

New York papers, comparing his outfielder with the peerless leader of all major leaguers. He wanted to cut in on the heads now going to the Yankees because of the appearance of Frank Baker, Joe Gedeon, Lee Magee, and Nick Cullop. But Ty didn't show up. So McGraw lost out.

fcGraw lost out.
Furthermore, Kauff also fell down
adly in his work for the Giants.
Ie failed to break any fences, and
e failed to wake the echoes with his thieving propensities. On the whole, Kauff proved a joke. New York fans have already begun poking funt at him. When New York fans do that, a player has a hard

fans do that, a player has a hard row to hoe.

Kauff is going to be compared considerably this coming season with Ty Cobb. The fans who follow the game closely will take great delight in measuring him up against the wonderful Jungaleer. But that isn't doing the Giants any good right now.

Many good judges of baseball, admitting all that Kauff has done in the Federal League for the past two seasons, cannot begin to class him

the Federal League for the past two seasons, cannot begin to class him with Ty Cobb in any feature of the game. Some go so far as to say that Kauff will have to hustle to hit 300 in the National League.

But, anyway, McGraw's little scheme has gone a-glimmering.

Cubs vs. Phillies.

Losing seven straight games to another team in your own league, even in March, is pretty poor stuff. That's what the Chicago Cubs have

done. That's why Joe Tinker is wondering if he flivvered when he dropped all those former Cubs to retain his Whales.

When Tinker began cleaning out the National Leaguers from the Cubs, he was told in every Chicago paper that he was making a wrong step. He continued, nevertheless, naturally believing he knew better than his critics. than his critics.
Tinker took his remnants of Cubs

Tinker took his remnants of Cubs and Whales down to Tampa and began work. The bunch looked all right until they stacked up against the champion Phillies. Then they promptly went to pieces.

Those Federal League pitchers, who had looked so good last summer in the independent circuit, were outclassed when put up against some bis league batters.

Those Federal League infielders Those Federal League infielders and outfielders were slow as molas-ses on a cold morning when compared with the Phillies, even though the Phillies are not ranked as a fast ball

Now Tinker is thinking. He won-ders if those Chicago scribes weren't right, after all. One Idea of Folly.

Braves Face Mackmen. Our idea of the most foolish thing Bill Donovan can do is to release JACKSONVILLE, Fla., March 30, some promising youngster to keep Herman Schaefer on the coaching The Braves are due to tackle Connie Mack's Athletics here today. The Braves have already beaten them twice.

Are They Crazy? Hooper and Ruth Win. Are the fans crazy for baseball? HOT SPRINGS, Ark., March 30 .- Harry Hooper and Babe Ruth won for Twelve thousand St. Louis fans turned out last Sunday to see the Cardinals win from the Browns. Fielder Jones' aggregation went to pieces in the crucial monent, look-

ing like anything but coming champ-However, whenever twelve thousand rooters turn out to see a ball game in March, they come pretty close to being crazy for the old summer pastime.

That's Merely "Slush."

It's merely "slush" to quote Jess Willard as saying that the only reason he didn't knock out Frank Moran was because "it would hurt the boxing game in New York." That reads well,-but it's merely

No man ever stood in a ring, no matter how much bigger he was than his opponent, and was able to think of anything but the man before him, particularly when that opponent was a wild Irishman with a savage wallop in either hand. Jess Willard seems to be a nice sort of a chap, a decent, square cit-izen but he's talking "slush" when

izen but he's talking 'slush' when he gives this explanation for his failure to put over the sleep punch last Saturday night. He should have emphasized that broken bone in his hand.

That would have been more professional, at least. fessional, at least,

GERMAN'Y SCHAEFER IS STAR OF SHOW

Yankees' Comedian Takes Away All Interest in Contest.

HUNTSVILLE, Ala., March 30 .- Germany Schaefer, the Yanks' comedian, entertained about 2,000 fans here yesterday while the big leaguers were rimming a collection of mill hands and trimming a collection of min hands and Yankee rookies, 13 to 0. He coached for both sides, walked the tight rope, swam in imaginary rivers, introduced all the batsmen, and finally played second

the batsmen, and finally played second base for the home team.

So far as baseball went, there wasn't much to it. Bob Shawkey was invincible, going the whole nine frames, and allowing but three hits. When the rookies replaced the Huntsville boys, they were expected to tear things open and make a game out of the farce. They were just as weak before the speed and curves of Shawkey.

Bushers Wallop Cubs: Tinker Is Disgusted

ALBANY, Ga., March 30.-Manager Joe Tinker is thoroughly disgusted today with the poor showing of his Cubs yesterday against the Indianapous American Association team, which won from the big leaguers, 7 to 1. Lavender was pummeled for an even dozen hits, the Cubs gathering only six off Daw-

the Cubs gathering only six off Dawson and Aibridge.

"There's going to be a big shake-up in
this team within a few days," said
Manager Tinker, "unless you fellows
get started. It's had enough to lose
seven straight to the Phillies, but nere
you are letting a bush league team
run away from you. Releases will be
in order in a mighty short space of
periods unless you begin to show me
something."

omething."
Manager Tinker is receiving hundreds
of letters from West Side Chicago fans complaining about the presence of Federal Leaguers in the ranks of the Cubs.

Agricultural Fair Association Spring Meeting, Apr. 1 to Apr. 14, inc. ADMISSION \$1 50. LADIES, \$1. First race, 2:30 p. m. Round Trip, 55c. Special Trains Leave White House Station 1:15 and 1:40,

MINCE PIE. A LITTLE OF EVERYTHING. By "Bugs" Baer.

"Willard and tire incident."

And remember that Lajole's wonderful nineteen-year batting average was made with his mind on a piece of chew ing tobacco.

DABIO RUCOLPH

Shelving the prohibition question by Congress looks like an adroit attempt to corral the golf vote.

Pat Moran will have a tough time proving that wandering into first place wasn't an at tack of aphasia.

Unless the hitting picks up Manager McGraw will have to subsidize the industry.

This dual personality thing is nothng new. We've seen ball players who were heroes one day and roaches the

A Steak Off the Purple Cow. I never saw a brutal fight. I never hope to sight one,

But there is one thing that I know, I'd rather sight than fight one. No man should lift his hand against

his brother in anger even if it is a broken back straight.

Bill Donovan might slip a little tacillus wallopus into the soup,

After listening to a description of two prize fighters you know that the team.

monkeys have a splendid libel suit against Kid Darwin.

Getting so a poor bachelor can't get hung nowadays without having seven or eight wives around trying to spoil his entire summer.

Critic says that, as a champion, Wil lard is sinning against tradition. Yep. That's the same Ericsson and

Nobody is surprised when a boy phenom kicks in and cuts off his grandchildren without a penny.

Answers to Queeries. J. J. B.—They don't play ball in February because Heinle Zimm could never work his suspensions into such a short month.

Z. O. O.—Can't see how Villa could have been stabbed as he eats pie with his fingers.

H. C.-The editor must refuse to decide bets pertaining to his sanity. Ambish-We never heard of a pro-fessional croquet league.

H. & H.-Olaf Skventykof, the famous Spanish wrestler, was born in the Thousand Islands, but we don't know which one.

Sir Tommy Lipton might hurry up as the

Just when a team is set to win the pennant-bang! The season opens.

(Copyright, 1916, by the Press Publishing Co.) Rankin Johnson Proves Puzzle, Though He Loses

FORT WORTH. Tex., March 30.—
Rankin Johoson, moored here by the Red Sox for his daring in jumping to the Feds, proved most puzzling to the Giants yesterday, though he lost, 1 to 0.
Johnson's lone base on balls happened to collide with Hans Lobert's single, and the catcher's error, giving the Giants their only run. Palmero, the Cuban, pitched good ball for McGraw's team.

FOUR WASHINGTON

Oberlin, Derrick, Mess. Royer, Products of High Schools Here, Make Good.

By BRYAN MORSE.

Four Washington boys may be in the line-up today against the Navy team when the Maryland Aggles take their innings at Annapolis. Oberlin and Mess, two former Central lads; Earl Royer, Western's second baseman and catcher of three years ago, and Hobby Derrick, a former Business High star, are expected to find places on Coach Byrd's

nine.

The Aggies are not in as good shape as they might be owing to a lack of practice. Wet weather has hampered the work of the team, which otherwise might be expected to come out with a win. The Navy team, under the capable eye of Steve Brodie, has been working out since February 1.

The win over Penn last Saturday, when Biodgett held the Philadelphians to one hit, is an evidence of the speed of the Navy aggregation. Brodie has had his lads facing good pitching in the cages since mid February. Tom Fisher, a former Eastern High School player, is holding down his position at third for colding down his position at third for

Twelve matches have been scheduled for the Tech Tennis Club players during the season, which starts May 5 with Business. The Manual Trainers expect a big boom in the court game since the general organization has recognized tennis. Something like twenty-five candidates will be out for the team.

The schedule includes games with all of the local high schools and prepschools as follows:

May 5—Tech at Business.

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May 6—Tech at Friends.

May 11—Tech at St. Alban's.

May 15—Eastern at Tech.

May 20—Manassas at Tech.

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May 27—Tech at Western.

May 20—Friends at Tech.

May 27—Tech at Manassas.

May 30—Tech at Eastern.

June 7—Central at Tech.

June 5—St. Alban's at Tech.

A recent cut in the Tech baseball team finds the following boys trying out for positions: Pitchers—Hird (Capt.), Brickerd, Shoe-maker, Snyder. Catchers—Berens, Brumbaugh, Eppel-sheimer, Guvrvich, Koop, Oppenheimer, First basemen—Biggs, Klein, Stephen-

Second basemen-Eiseman and Mc-Shortstops-Freeman, Golding, Mun-Shortstops—Freeman, Golding, Mun-son, Schewalter.
Third basemen—De Atley, De La Verne, Straum.
Outfielders—Bland, Cole, Duffy, Hutch-ison, Morrison, Pfeiffer.
This list of promising ball tossers in-cludes three men of the 1915 team, namely, Hird, the captain of the 1916 baseball team, Elseman and Pfeiffer.

Western and the Georgetowa Preps open their baseball season on the Hilitop today, providing the ground is dry enough to stage a contest. Neither team has had much work out of doors this season. Western has a number of candidates who will be given a tryout.

On Saturday Tech goes to Tome for a battle with the Port Deposit lads. Central is now figuring on Tome's schedule in baseball, football, and basketball.

Umpires for the high school series probably will be chosen some time dur-ing the week. Several names are un-der consideration for the jobs. There will be eight games played at the Amer-ican League Park and twelve staged on the Monument Grounds, according to

broad jumps and second and third years in the same events.

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